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DONALD A. BISTLINE  
Serial No.: 10/677,594  
Filed: Oct. 1, 2003 ) For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
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## **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Attention: Andrew D. Wright  
Primary Patent Examiner

Dear Mr. Wright:

In response to a Final Office Action dated August 4, 2005, please consider the following amendment and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.**